

CITY OF SUNNYVALE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

456 West Olive Ave. Sunnyvale, CA. 94086 (408)730-7459 Fax (408) 737-4906

Dear Sunnyvale Homeowner:

Thank you for your recent inquiry in our Housing Loan Program. Enclosed is an application for the City of Sunnyvale's Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program. Please note that the home must be owner occupied in order to qualify for a Housing Rehab Loan.

For <u>every adult</u> family member living in the home, please return or send copies of the following (for items that are not applicable, please indicate NA):

—	Two (2) most recent Federal tax return, Form 1040 (include all schedules)
	Two (2) most recent bank and checking statements from all banks and credit unions
	Three (3) most recent paycheck stubs
	Most recent social security statements, pension and annuity statements
	Most recent quarterly statement of investments owned
	Verification of other regular monthly income as applicable
	Copy of a mortgage statements
	Proof of Homeowner's Insurance and Flood Insurance if located in a flood zone
	Copy of California Identification
	Registration card and Certificate of Title

If you have your own business, please include copies of your two most recent tax returns. A recent or year-end mortgage statement and bank statement should also be included. If you have automatic deposit for Social Security or for any other regular monthly income, your most recent bank statement may be submitted.

Mobilehome owners please include proof of your home insurance, a copy of your most recent registration and certificate of title. Your application cannot be reviewed without it.

If you have any questions you may contact me at (408) 730-7459.

You may mail the application to:

Or deliver it to:

City of Sunnyvale Housing Division P.O. Box 3707 Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707 City of Sunnyvale 456 W. Olive Ave. One Stop Permit Center, Housing Div Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Sincerely,

Richard Gutierrez

INCOME GUIDELINES EFFECTIVE: March 2015



Household Size	Maximum Income Limits
1 person	\$52,850
2 people	\$60,400
3 people	\$67,950
4 people	\$75,500
5 people	\$81,550
6 people	\$87,600
7 people	\$93,650
8 people	\$99,700

Income is gross annual income

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS FOR REHABILITATION LOANS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The purpose of this information is to help acquaint you with our single family rehabilitation program. The maximum you can receive is \$15,000 for mobile homesto help repair your home. The money comes from the federally-funded Community Development Block Grant loan.

Some basic facts about our loans:

- Funded Repairs: You should apply before you sign any contracts or start any work on your home. Licensed contractors must do all the work that we fund. Our program staff can help you find contractors. Examples of the type of work usually funded through this program are: correction of health and safety items, lead based paint hazards, plumbing, roofing, heating, structural reinforcement, weatherization, and improving the integrity of the structure.
- Interest Rate: The interest rate is fixed at 3%, simple interest.
- Monthly Payments: Your payments of principal and interest are dependent on your income level and age. If you qualify for a deferred loan, you may opt for a monthly payment plan. This can be arranged with the City at anytime during the loan term.
- No Prepayment Penalty: You may prepay this loan without penalty at any time during the term of the loan.
- Loan Term: The principal balance and all accrued interest must be repaid to the City. If an applicant is 60 years of age or over, the term of the loan would be for all amounts to be due upon the sale or transfer of the home; and loan payments would be deferred until the loan was repaid. If an applicant is under the age of 60, then the maximum loan term would be 30 years. Loan payments would be deferred only if the household's monthly housing costs, including an amortized rehabilitation loan payment, were greater than 30% of the household's gross monthly income.

Upon the sale, conveyance or transfer of ownership of the home; or in the event of default under the loan documents all loans become due.

- Collateral for Loan: The loan advanced to you will be secured by a lien recorded against your home. The lien against your home will be in the form Certificate of Title for and will remain until such time as all sums are paid in full.
- Loan Amount: The maximum loan amount is \$15,000 for mobilehomes.
- **Property Indebtedness:** The total indebtedness secured by liens against the property (senior to and including this loan) should not be more than 75% of the market value.
- Eligibility Criteria: You are eligible for a rehabilitation loan if you meet the following requirements:

- 1. You own and occupy your home, which is in a one-to-four unit property (only the unit which you occupy is eligible for rehabilitation);
- 2. You hold title to the home to be rehabilitated and it is your primary residence; and
- 3. Your income does not exceed the lower-income level as established by county and household size. (See attached income guidelines). There are some restrictions on assets e.g. bank accounts, stocks, rental property, etc. Maximum value of assets (excluding value of owner-occupied home) for homeowners under age 60 is \$200,000 and for homeowners age 60 and over the maximum is \$325,000.
- Properties which are held in trust: The terms of the trust should specify that the homeowner is allowed to encumber the property. The City will need to see a copy of the trust stating this. If the loan is approved, the loan documents will specify that when the homeowner(s) die(s), the loan will become due. Prior to loan signing, the City will request that the homeowner provide an addendum to the Trust stating that the City's loan will become due and payable upon the homeowner's death.
- <u>Subordination</u>: Once the city loan is recorded the City will not subordinate to any new loans. The only exception is that the City may agree to subordinate where the new loan is a refinance of a loan superior to the City's in which no additional equity is being taken out of the property.
- <u>Inspection Fees</u>: Should you decide not to participate in the program, all fees will be reimbursed to the City for all inspections performed on your property. Approximate cost is \$550.00.

MOBILEHOME REPAIR LOANS ITEMS OF ELIGIBILITY

The loans offered through the Housing Division of the City of Sunnyvale are designed to help low-to-moderate income mobile home owners to make needed repairs to their homes. Since this is a home loan and not a grant, consideration must be given to other criteria when reviewing a loan application.

Along with the income guidelines, the age of the home, the overall condition of the home, the park in which the mobile home is located and the zoning where the park is located is also considered when determining whether or not a loan application will be approved.

Once the application for a loan has been approved, the loan funds can only be used for specific types of repairs. The following is a description of the work that can be done through the loan program;

EXTERIOR WORK

ROOF REPAIRS.

Roofs that are old and in a dilapidated condition can be replaced through the program. Roof insulation can also be included in the roof upgrade whether the old roof was insulated or not. Existing skylights will not be considered under the loan program.

WINDOW REPLACEMENT

Single pane windows can be replaced with a dual pane window.

DECK & STEP REPAIRS.

Decks that are damaged or unsafe can be repaired. Recarpeting outside decks and steps can be done if the old carpeting is badly worn and could become a tripping hazard, or if the park is requiring that the deck be recarpeted due to a park requirement (park documentation would be required). Low-rise steps and ramps would also be eligible items, as well as alteration to accommodated installation of a lift.

PAINTING.

All exterior paint will be required to meet Federal requirements for lead base paint and will only be done if the existing paint is cracked and peeling, allowing moisture and weathering to damage the structural framing of the home. Painting can also be done to areas that need painting because of other eligible work that was done through the loan program.

SIDING AND SKIRTING REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT

Siding and skirting will only be eligible if the existing is damaged or needs altering because other program eligible items are being done. If the siding or skirting is damaged, only the areas where the damage was done will be repaired. Repairs will match existing as close as possible but not be a perfect match because of the availability of the material that was originally used when the mobile home was initially built.

<u>LANDSCAPING, GROUND COVERINGS, AWNINGS & ACCESSORY BUILDINGS.</u>

Only landscaping that is considered hazardous to the building or human safety will be eligible. No concrete, awnings or accessory buildings would be considered unless the existing was damaged or the work was necessary due to accessibility work was being done at the home. Examples of accessibility items would be if concrete pad or walkway was necessary for low-rise steps or ramp, a new awning might be needed to cover a new installation of flow-rise steps or ramp, or a required accessory building might need to be moved for the installation of new low-rise steps or ramp.

AIR CONDITIONERS & SWAMP COOLERS.

The only time that air conditioning units or swamp coolers would be repaired under the Mobile home Loan Program would be if the applicant had a medical condition that required the home be maintained at a specific temperature. If the unit was simply no longer working, the unit could either be disconnected and left in place or removed.

OTHER ITEMS.

Any item that you may wish to do that does not fall under any of the listed eligible items would only be considered if the item in question was damaged and essential to living in the mobile home.

EARTHQUAKE BRACING & HOME STABILIZATION REPAIRS.

Earthquake bracing would only be considered in situations where bracing would be critical to the safety of the home. Releveling the home and installing additional supports where needed would be an eligible item.

INTERIOR

APPLIANCE REPLACMENT.

Appliances eligible for replacement may include refrigerators, ovens, cooktops, vent hoods and disposals. Appliances that would not be eligible include microwaves. Appliances will only be replaced with units that work on the same energy source (for instance, gas appliances will only be replaced with other gas appliances and electrical appliances will only be replaced with electrical appliances).

FLOORING REPLACEMENT.

Flooring will only be considered for eligibility when the existing flooring is in such a dilapidated condition that it is considered a hazard. Such conditions could include carpet that is torn and damaged linoleum.

PLUMBING FIXTURES.

Plumbing fixtures such as toilets, tubs, shower units, sinks, faucets and cabinets would only be replaced if they were damaged beyond repair or needed to help with accessibility.

ELECTRICAL, LIGHTING RIXTURES AND WALL RECEPTACLES.

Any damaged light fixture or wall receptacle would be an eligible item. Installing new wiring and fixtures can be eligible if they are needed for medical equipment or for health and safety reasons.

FURNACES & WATER HEATERS.

Furnaces and water heaters that are old and dilapidated would be eligible items.

PAINTING.

Painting will only be considered to touch-up damaged areas due to repairs made to an eligible item. Painting can also be done in areas where the paint finish is peeling or damaged, such as bathrooms and kitchens, where a solid finish is necessary to maintain a moisture resistance surface and washability.

GENERAL REMODELING OR UPGRADING.

This type of work will only be considered for handicap accessibility reasons or physical restrictions.

OTHER ITEMS.

Any item that you may wish to do that does not fall under any of the listed eligible items would only be considered if the item in question was damaged and essential to living in the mobile home.

APPLICATION PROCESS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

This application is lengthy and consists of several pages of personal data, property data, notifications, verifications, and pertinent information that may assist you in accomplishing your rehabilitation project. If you are unsure, complete the information requested as best as you can and speak to a Housing Rehabilitation Specialist.

Application	Once the application has been received and reviewed for feasibility, and eligibility has been determined, a loan will be made to pay for preconstruction costs such as lead paint testing and a termite report.
Survey	The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist will make an appointment in order to meet with the Property Owner. At the project site a scope of work will be ascertained and a rough estimate made. At this point the Property Owner will indicate if they wish to proceed. The next step is to prepare a scope of work for review with the owner prior to going out to bid.
Bidding	The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist finalizes the work specifications to go out to bid for the purpose of obtaining at least three bids when possible. The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist will provide a bid comparison sheet for the owner to review and the owner will then select a contractor.
Contracts	The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist will then finalize the scope of work with the owner and any required negotiations with the owner selected contractor. The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist will prepare the Owner Contracter Agreement including timeframe for completion, final pricing and final work specifications. Loan documents will then be prepared for owner signature and processing, and a pre-construction conference will be held to explain the rights and responsibilities of both parties. Upon signing of all Loan Documents, the Owner Contractor Agreement and work specifications, the project will be considered to be underway. The commencement of work will be determined from the date outlined in the Notice to Proceed and the issuance of the Building permits.

As a part of the preliminary processing of your application, we will be required to order a Title Report, Credit Report, and possibly a Termite Report, Lead Report and a Lead Assessment depending upon the evaluation of the Housing Rehabilitation Specialist. These costs will be covered by the loan to you, which will later be paid by the rehabilitation loan.

The Housing Rehabilitation Specialist will monitor the project during construction with progress payments released accordingly. No "Start Up" funds are allowed. Also 20% of the contract amount will be held for 30 days after the filing of the Notice of Completion.

Any funds required to facilitate completion of the rehabilitation project that exceed the actual loan amount allowable for the project must be provided by the Property Owner/Borrower prior to construction or upon such notice of required funds by the Housing Rehabilitation Specialist.

Income Worksheet

(Please fill out as best as you can)						
Resident Name				Address		
Loan		□ 3%				☐ Deferred
		□ Emerg	ency	☐ Paint		☐ Rehab
Grant		☐ Home	Access	□ Paint		
Household Size						
Total Household Income						
	Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:	Total
Wages a. b. c. Pensions/Annuities a. b. c. d. Social Security a. b. Interest Income						
a. b. c. Dividends a. b. Assets						
a. b. c. Other a. b.						
Total Income						

Total Household	income:	

CITY OF SUNNYVALE- HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING

APPLICATION

	AMERICAN INDIAN, ALASKAN NATIVE	WHITE
The following information is requested by the federal government in order to monitor the program's compliance	NATIVE HAWAIAN/ PACIFIC ISLANDER	HISPANIC
with federal laws regarding equal opportunity. You are not required to furnish this information, but are	ASIAN, PACIFIC ISLANDER	ASIAN
encouraged to do so. The law provides that this program may neither discriminate on the basis of this information,	BLACK/ AFRICAN AMERICAN, WHITE	ASIAN, WHITE
nor on whether you choose to furnish it.	BLACK / AFRICAN AMERICAN	OTHER (SPECIFY)
	— AMERICAN INDIAN/ ALASKAN NATIVE, WHITE	

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Name		Name		
Street Address		Street Address		
City, State, Zip		City, State, Zip		
Social Security No.:		Social Security No.:		
Home Phone No.: ()		Home Phone No.: ()		
Driver's Lic. No.:		Driver's Lic. No.:		
Age Married Unmarried Separated Employer:	No. of Household members: No. of Dependant(s) and age(s): Years on this job?	Age Married Unmarried Separated Employer:	No. of Household members: No. of Dependant(s) and age(s): Years on this job?	
Address: Phone No. ()	If Self Employed, Type of Business:	Address: Phone No. ()	If Self Employed, Type of Business:	
Name and address of nearest rela	tive not living with you:	Name and address of neares	st relative not living with you:	
Phone No. ()		Phone No. ()		

In this your primary assidence?				What type of voit (single family mobile home etc.)			
Is this your primary residence?			Wnat	What type of unit (single family, mobile home, etc.)?			
Title to home is in the	e Name(s) of:		If the	title is not in your Name	e(s), describe your		
			intere	st in the property.			
Is this in a Trust?							
If so, please provide	e a copy						
II	T		l a =	I · · · ·			
Age of Property	No. of Bedrooms	No. of Baths	Sq. Ftg.	Estimated current value of home:	Central Air Cond.		
				value of floring.	Yes No		
Other structures on p	property?						
INCOME AND EX	PENSES						
A. Present Monthly	/ Income:	В	Monthly H	ousing Expenses			
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Applicant's Wag	ges \$		Mortgage P	Pymts \$			
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Co-Applicant's Wages \$ (Prin			(Principal &	t Interest only)			
Pensions, Annuities \$ Prop			Property Ta	xes \$			
Social Security \$ Haz			Hazard Insu	urance \$			
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(1)Total Creditor Monthly							
Payments (from back of app.) \$							
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(Total Housing Expenses &							

	total creditor monthly pymts.)		
* Including but not limited to income of all			
adult household members, interest,			
dividends, etc.			

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS:	Name of Depository	Checking	\$
		Savings	\$
	Name of Depository	Checking	\$
	s: Stocks, Bonds, Real Property, etc.	Savings	\$
			\$
			\$

LIABILITIES:

Mortgage(s)	Account No.	Original Amount	Balance	Monthly Payment(s)
1 st		\$	\$	\$
2 nd		\$	\$	\$

Creditor(s)	Account No.	Original Amount	Balance	Monthly Payment(s)
			\$	\$
			\$	\$

		\$ \$
		\$ \$
		\$ \$
	(1) Total	\$ \$

BORROWER CERTIFICATION

I/We certify, that the above statements are true, accurate, and supporting documentation to be in accordance with the Department of Housing and Community Development regulations.				
Applicant	Date	Co-Applicant	Date	

CITY OF SUNNYVALE- HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING

REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF MORTGAGE

Α.	Applicant Name and Address:	C. Date of Request: D. Property Address of Mortgage to be Verified:
В.	Name and Address of Mortgagee:	E. Account No.:
F.	Borrower authorization by Applicant: regarding the mortgage identified above.	I authorize the mortgagee to furnish the information
	(Date of Authorization)	(Signature)
	Mortgage Date (for Lender's Use Only) Type of Mortgage Conventional FHA VA/Cal Vet Rever	2. This lien is: 1 st Position2 nd Position

	Other (Specify) Trust Deed	All-Inclusive	3 rd Position Specify Position
3.	Total Monthly Payment: \$ Principal & Interest Taxes	Interest O	
4.	Terms: Original Loan Amo	ount \$	Loan Origination Date
	Loan Due Date	Interest Rate	% Fixed? Adjustable?
	Balloon Payment?	_ If yes, amount \$	Date Due
	Negative Amortization?	Call Option? _	if yes, date due
	Current Balance \$, as of	
5.	Payment History: Is loan	current? Has le	oan ever been in arrears?
		When?_	How Long?
Signat	ure of Mortgagee:	(Position/Title)	Date:
When	completed, please return to:	City of Su P.O. Box Sunnyvale, CA	
		Rehabilitation	Work
			you would like to have done: ill assess the work to be done.)
Roof l	Repair		
Windo	ow Replacement		
Bathro	oom Remodel		
Kitche	en Remodel		
Electr	ical		
Plumb	oing		

Mechanical	
Termite damage	
Dry Rot	
Water heater	
Furnace replacement	
Other needed repairs:	
Please provide a description	

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING

INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I/We authorize the **CITY OF SUNNYVALE** (Local Entity) and any credit reporting agency utilized by the local entity to verify any information necessary in connection with the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program for Owner-Occupied Housing loan application, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) Credit History
- 2) Bank Accounts
- 3) Mortgage History

Authorization is further granted to use a information regarding any of the aforeme		nature(s) below, to obtain
Applicant	Date	
Social Security No.		
Co-Applicant	Date	
Social Security No.		

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING

FAIR LENDING NOTICE

To: All applicants for a loan under the City of Sunnyvale's Housing Rehabilitation Program for Owner-Occupied Housing.

Under the Housing Financial Discrimination Act of 1977, it is unlawful for a financial institution to refuse to make a loan or to offer less favorable terms than normal (such as a higher interest rate, larger down payment or shorter maturity) based on any of the following:

- 1. Neighborhood characteristics (such as the average age of the homes or the income level in the neighborhood) except to the limited extent necessary to avoid unsafe and unsound business practice.
- 2. Race, sex, or color, religion, marital status, national origin or ancestry.

It is also unlawful to consider, in appraising a residence, the racial, ethnic, or religious composition of a particular neighborhood, or whether or not such composition is undergoing change or is expected to undergo change.

If you wish to file a complaint or if you have any questions about your rights, contact:

Office of Fair Lending 600 South Commonwealth 15th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90005 U.S. Office of Comptroller of the Currency Consumer Complaint Department 50 Fremont Street, Suite 3900 San Francisco, CA 94105

When you file a complaint, the law requires that you receive a decision within 30 days.

I/We have received a copy of this notice.	
Borrower:	Date:
Borrower:	

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING

LOAN APPLICATION ATTACHMENT

I/We agree:

To provide Homeowner's Insurance in an amount equal to, or greater than all combined existing liens.

To pay for the Risk Assessment (homes built prior to 1978), Lead testing (homes built prior to 1978) and Termite inspections performed on my property associated with the housing rehabilitation loan application. Approximate cost is \$550.00. Should I decide not to participate in the program all fees, if any, will be reimbursed to the City for all inspections performed on my property.

To have the property inspected, by appointment, to determine that the improvements specified have been completed satisfactorily.

That the work performed, and the materials used, are not the responsibility of the City of Sunnyvale, but are under warranty by the Contractor/Manufacturer.

That verification may be obtained from any source named in this application.

That it may be a Federal crime, punishable by a fine or imprisonment, or both, to knowingly make any false statements to obtain this loan.

Signature	Signature	
Date	 Date	



NOTICE TO APPLICANT

Beginning on September 15, 2000 the City of Sunnyvale will be required to comply with the Lead Safe Housing Regulation that was published in the Federal Register on September 15, 1999. The purpose of this regulation is to significantly reduce the health hazards created by lead paint, particularly from the dust created from deteriorated paint. The attached brochure, "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" explains these hazards and gives some suggestions on what you can do. Lead hazards are particularly injurious to small children.

Rehabilitation Loan, Home Access Grant and Paint Loan/Grant projects will be affected by the requirements for notification, evaluation and reduction of lead-based paint hazards, whether or not small children reside in the home. The length of time it takes to process projects will increase in most cases, as there is currently a shortage of specially trained lead hazard risk assessors and contractors trained in hazard reduction.

Homes that will not be affected by the regulation are those built on or after January 1, 1978. Requirements for testing and hazard reduction work vary depending on the scope and type of work. Staff will be able to explain the differences in detail.

If you would like more information on the Housing Rehabilitation Program's Lead-Based Paint Management Plan, you may contact the Housing Division at (408) 730-7250.

Lead Based Paint Acknowledgement

I have received the EPA "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" pamphlet and have been advised to read it before work begins in my home.

Address:			
Please check:		Home Access Grant	
		Paint Grant	
		Paint Loan	
	П	Rehab Loan	

Date		Print Full Name
Date		Print Full Name
		Signature
		Signature
	LEAD-BASED PA	AINT NOTIFICATION
Property Owner:		AINT NOTIFICATION

Summary:

The HUD regulations state the following:

"Lead-based paint hazard: means any condition that causes exposure to lead from dust-lead hazards, soil-lead hazards, or lead-based paint that is deteriorated or present in chewable surfaces, friction surfaces, or impact surfaces, and that would result in adverse human health effects."

"Risk assessment: means an on-site investigation to determine the existence, nature, severity, and location of lead-based pain hazards. A risk assessment usually includes paint testing of a sampling of deteriorated painted surfaces, plus dust and soil testing. The paint-testing requirement is for all deteriorated painted surfaces plus all painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced during rehabilitation. It involves the provision of a report by the individual or firm conducting the risk assessment explaining the results of the investigation and options for reducing the lead-based paint hazards."

The City of Sunnyvale's Lead-Based Pant Management Plan requires that, for all projects built prior to 1978 and rehabilitated with between \$5,000 and \$25,000 of CDBG or other federal entitlement funds, the following steps must be undertaken:

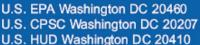
In a	In accordance with the lead-based paint notification and disclosure requirements, the City will provide:				
Pric	or to renovation:				
	I have received and read the lead hazard information pamphlet developed by EPA, HUD and the Consumer Product Safety Commission, or an EPA-approved alternative.				
Lea	d-Based Paint Hazard Risk:				
	Analysis of the subject property was performed to determine whether or not lead-based paint hazards exist prior to the completion of the work. If your home was built after 1978, this does not apply.				
Lea	d-Based Paint (LBP) Hazard Clearance:				
	An analysis of the subject property was performed by a Certified Risk Assessor to determine if the property meets clearance following the completion of the rehab work utilizing CDBG funds under the City of Sunnyvale's Substantial Rehabilitation Program.				
	blicable only to homes built prior to 1978: Should you decide not to participate any further in the Rehab Loan Program you will be required ay for the Risk Assessment, Lead testing and Termite inspection (regardless of the year of the home). Approximate cost is \$550.00.				
	nderstand that I will be required to pay for the Risk Assessment and testing should I decide not to participate any further in the Rehab Loan gram.				
	ce the rehab is completed, federal law requires a clearance test. Upon completion, I will receive a copy of the LBP Hazard arance report and lab results for my property. I understand that all LBP hazards must be disclosed upon sale of the property.				
Ho	meowner Homeowner				



Protect Your Family From Lead In Your Home









United States Environmental Protection Agency



United States Consumer Product Safety Commission



United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

EPA747-K-99-001 September 2001

Are You Planning To Buy, Rent, or Renovate a Home Built Before 1978?

any houses and apartments built before 1978 have paint that contains high levels of lead (called lead-based paint). Lead from paint, chips, and dust can pose serious health hazards if not taken care of properly.

Federal law requires that individuals receive certain information before renting, buying, or renovating pre-1978 housing:



LANDLORDS have to disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before leases take effect. Leases must include a disclosure form about lead-based paint.



SELLERS have to disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before selling a house. Sales contracts must include a disclosure form about lead-based paint. Buyers have up to 10 days to check for lead.



RENOVATORS have to give you this pamphlet before starting work.

IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION

on these requirements, call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (424-5323).

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IMPORTANT!

Lead From Paint, Dust, and Soil Can Be Dangerous If Not Managed Properly

- FACT: Lead exposure can harm young children and babies even before they are born.
- FACT: Even children who seem healthy can have high levels of lead in their bodies.
- FACT: People can get lead in their bodies by breathing or swallowing lead dust, or by eating soil or paint chips containing lead.
- FACT: People have many options for reducing lead hazards. In most cases, lead-based paint that is in good condition is not a hazard.
- FACT: Removing lead-based paint improperly can increase the danger to your family.

If you think your home might have lead hazards, read this pamphlet to learn some simple steps to protect your family.

Lead Gets in the Body in Many Ways

Childhood lead poisoning remains a major environmental health problem in the U.S.

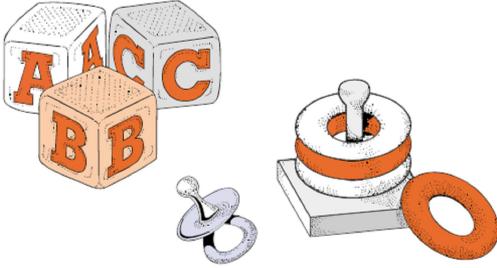
Even children who appear healthy can have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.

People can get lead in their body if they:

- Breathe in lead dust (especially during renovations that disturb painted surfaces).
- Put their hands or other objects covered with lead dust in their mouths.
- Eat paint chips or soil that contains lead.

Lead is even more dangerous to children than adults because:

- Children's brains and nervous systems are more sensitive to the damaging effects of lead.
- Children's growing bodies absorb more lead.
- Babies and young children often put their hands and other objects in their mouths. These objects can have lead dust on them.



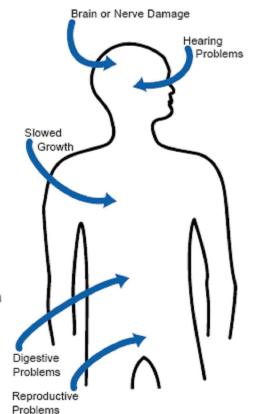
Lead's Effects

If not detected early, children with high levels of lead in their bodies can suffer from:

- Damage to the brain and nervous system
- Behavior and learning problems (such as hyperactivity)
- Slowed growth
- Hearing problems
- Headaches

Lead is also harmful to adults. Adults can suffer from:

- Difficulties during pregnancy
- Other reproductive problems (in both men and women)
- High blood pressure
- Digestive problems
- Nerve disorders
- Memory and concentration problems
- Muscle and joint pain



Lead affects the body in many ways.

(Adults)

Where Lead-Based Paint Is Found

In general, the older your home, the more likely it has leadbased paint. Many homes built before 1978 have leadbased paint. The federal government banned lead-based paint from housing in 1978. Some states stopped its use even earlier. Lead can be found:

- In homes in the city, country, or suburbs.
- In apartments, single-family homes, and both private and public housing.
- Inside and outside of the house.
- In soil around a home. (Soil can pick up lead from exterior paint or other sources such as past use of leaded gas in cars.)

Checking Your Family for Lead

Get your children and home tested if you think your home has high levels of lead.

To reduce your child's exposure to lead, get your child checked, have your home tested (especially if your home has paint in poor condition and was built before 1978), and fix any hazards you may have. Children's blood lead levels tend to increase rapidly from 6 to 12 months of age, and tend to peak at 18 to 24 months of age.

Consult your doctor for advice on testing your children. A simple blood test can detect high levels of lead. Blood tests are usually recommended for:

- Children at ages 1 and 2.
- Children or other family members who have been exposed to high levels of lead.
- Children who should be tested under your state or local health screening plan.

Your doctor can explain what the test results mean and if more testing will be needed.

Identifying Lead Hazards

Lead-based paint is usually not a hazard if it is in good condition, and it is not on an impact or friction surface, like a window. It is defined by the federal government as paint with lead levels greater than or equal to 1.0 milligram per square centimeter, or more than 0.5% by weight.

Deteriorating lead-based paint (peeling, chipping, chalking, cracking or damaged) is a hazard and needs immediate attention. It may also be a hazard when found on surfaces that children can chew or that get a lot of wear-and-tear, such as:

- Windows and window sills.
- Doors and door frames.
- Stairs, railings, banisters, and porches.

Lead from paint chips, which you can see, and lead dust, which you can't always see, can both be serious hazards.

Lead dust can form when lead-based paint is dry scraped, dry sanded, or heated. Dust also forms when painted surfaces bump or rub together. Lead chips and dust can get on surfaces and objects that people touch. Settled lead dust can re-enter the air when people vacuum, sweep, or walk through it. The following two federal standards have been set for lead hazards in dust:

- 40 micrograms per square foot (μg/ft²) and higher for floors, including carpeted floors.
- \spadesuit 250 μ g/ft² and higher for interior window sills.

Lead in soil can be a hazard when children play in bare soil or when people bring soil into the house on their shoes. The following two federal standards have been set for lead hazards in residential soil:

- 400 parts per million (ppm) and higher in play areas of bare soil.
- 1,200 ppm (average) and higher in bare soil in the remainder of the yard.

The only way to find out if paint, dust and soil lead hazards exist is to test for them. The next page describes the most common methods used.

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Checking Your Home for Lead

Just knowing that a home has lead-based paint may not tell you if there is a hazard.

You can get your home checked for lead in one of two ways, or both:

- A paint inspection tells you the lead content of every different type of painted surface in your home. It won't tell you whether the paint is a hazard or how you should deal with it.
- A risk assessment tells you if there are any sources of serious lead exposure (such as peeling paint and lead dust). It also tells you what actions to take to address these hazards.

Hire a trained, certified professional who will use a range of reliable methods when checking your home, such as:

- Visual inspection of paint condition and location.
- A portable x-ray fluorescence (XRF) machine.
- Lab tests of paint, dust, and soil samples.

There are standards in place to ensure the work is done safely, reliably, and effectively. Contact your local lead poisoning prevention program for more information, or call 1-800-424-LEAD for a list of contacts in your area.

Home test kits for lead are available, but may not always be accurate. Consumers should not rely on these tests before doing renovations or to assure safety.



What You Can Do Now To Protect Your Family

If you suspect that your house has lead hazards, you can take some immediate steps to reduce your family's risk:

- If you rent, notify your landlord of peeling or chipping paint.
- Clean up paint chips immediately.
- Clean floors, window frames, window sills, and other surfaces weekly. Use a mop or sponge with warm water and a general all-purpose cleaner or a cleaner made specifically for lead. REMEMBER: NEVER MIX AMMONIA AND BLEACH PRODUCTS TOGETHER SINCE THEY CAN FORM A DANGEROUS GAS.
- Thoroughly rinse sponges and mop heads after cleaning dirty or dusty areas.
- Wash children's hands often, especially before they eat and before nap time and bed time.
- Keep play areas clean. Wash bottles, pacifiers, toys, and stuffed animals regularly.
- Keep children from chewing window sills or other painted surfaces.
- Clean or remove shoes before entering your home to avoid tracking in lead from soil.
- Make sure children eat nutritious, low-fat meals high in iron and calcium, such as spinach and dairy products. Children with good diets absorb less lead.







Reducing Lead Hazards In The Home

Removing lead improperly can increase the hazard to your family by spreading even more lead dust around the house.

Always use a professional who is trained to remove lead hazards safely.



In addition to day-to-day cleaning and good nutrition:

- You can temporarily reduce lead hazards by taking actions such as repairing damaged painted surfaces and planting grass to cover soil with high lead levels. These actions (called "interim controls") are not permanent solutions and will need ongoing attention.
- To permanently remove lead hazards, you should hire a certified lead "abatement" contractor. Abatement (or permanent hazard elimination) methods include removing, sealing, or enclosing lead-based paint with special materials. Just painting over the hazard with regular paint is not permanent removal.

Always hire a person with special training for correcting lead problems—someone who knows how to do this work safely and has the proper equipment to clean up thoroughly. Certified contractors will employ qualified workers and follow strict safety rules as set by their state or by the federal government.

Once the work is completed, dust cleanup activities must be repeated until testing indicates that lead dust levels are below the following:

- 40 micrograms per square foot (µg/ft²) for floors, including carpeted floors;
- 250 μg/ft² for interior windows sills; and
- \spadesuit 400 μ g/ft² for window troughs.

Call your local agency (see page 11) for help with locating certified contractors in your area and to see if financial assistance is available.

Remodeling or Renovating a Home With Lead-Based Paint

Take precautions before your contractor or you begin remodeling or renovating anything that disturbs painted surfaces (such as scraping off paint or tearing out walls):

- Have the area tested for lead-based paint.
- Do not use a belt-sander, propane torch, heat gun, dry scraper, or dry sandpaper to remove lead-based paint. These actions create large amounts of lead dust and fumes. Lead dust can remain in your home long after the work is done.
- Temporarily move your family (especially children and pregnant women) out of the apartment or house until the work is done and the area is properly cleaned. If you can't move your family, at least completely seal off the work area.
- Follow other safety measures to reduce lead hazards. You can find out about other safety measures by calling 1-800-424-LEAD. Ask for the brochure "Reducing Lead Hazards When Remodeling Your Home." This brochure explains what to do before, during, and after renovations.

If you have already completed renovations or remodeling that could have released lead-based paint or dust, get your young children tested and follow the steps outlined on page 7 of this brochure.



If not conducted properly, certain types of renovations can release lead from paint and dust into the air.



Other Sources of Lead



While paint, dust, and soil are the most common lead hazards, other lead sources also exist.





- Drinking water. Your home might have plumbing with lead or lead solder. Call your local health department or water supplier to find out about testing your water. You cannot see, smell, or taste lead, and boiling your water will not get rid of lead. If you think your plumbing might have lead in it:
 - Use only cold water for drinking and cooking.
 - Run water for 15 to 30 seconds before drinking it, especially if you have not used your water for a few hours.
- The job. If you work with lead, you could bring it home on your hands or clothes. Shower and change clothes before coming home. Launder your work clothes separately from the rest of your family's clothes.
- Old painted toys and furniture.
- Food and liquids stored in lead crystal or lead-glazed pottery or porcelain.
- Lead smelters or other industries that release lead into the air.
- Hobbies that use lead, such as making pottery or stained glass, or refinishing furniture.
- Folk remedies that contain lead, such as "greta" and "azarcon" used to treat an upset stomach.

For More Information

The National Lead Information Center

Call 1-800-424-LEAD (424-5323) to learn how to protect children from lead poisoning and for other information on lead hazards. To access lead information via the web, visit www.epa.gov/lead and www.hud.gov/offices/lead/.

For the hearing impaired, call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and ask for the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD.

EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline

Call **1-800-426-4791** for information about lead in drinking water.

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Hotline

To request information on lead in consumer products, or to report an unsafe consumer product or a product-related injury call 1-800-638-2772, or visit CPSC's website at: www.cpsc.gov.

Health and Environmental Agencies

Some cities, states, and tribes have their own rules for lead-based paint activities. Check with your local agency to see which laws apply to you. Most agencies can also provide information on finding a lead abatement firm in your area, and on possible sources of financial aid for reducing lead hazards. Receive up-to-date address and phone information for your local contacts on the Internet at www.epa.gov/lead or contact the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD.





EPA Regional Offices

Your Regional EPA Office can provide further information regarding regulations and lead protection programs.

EPA Regional Offices

Region 1 (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 1 Suite 1100 (CPT) One Congress Street Boston, MA 02114-2023 1 (888) 372-7341

Region 2 (New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands)

> Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 2 2890 Woodbridge Avenue Building 209, Mail Stop 225 Edison, NJ 08837-3679 (732) 321-6671

Region 3 (Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington DC, West Virginia)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 3 (3WC33) 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 814-5000

Region 4 (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-8998

Region 5 (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 5 (DT-8J) 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3666 (312) 886-6003 Region 6 (Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas)

> Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Avenue, 12th Floor Dallas, TX 75202-2733 (214) 665-7577

Region 7 (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 7 (ARTD-RALI) 901 N. 5th Street Kansas City, KS 66101 (913) 551-7020

Region 8 (Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 8 999 18th Street, Suite 500 Denver, CO 80202-2466 (303) 312-6021

Region 9 (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada)

> Regional Lead Contact U.S. Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 947-4164

Region 10 (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington)

Regional Lead Contact U.S. EPA Region 10 Toxics Section WCM-128 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101-1128 (206) 553-1985

CPSC Regional Offices

Your Regional CPSC Office can provide further information regarding regulations and consumer product safety.

Eastern Regional Center

Consumer Product Safety Commission 201 Varick Street, Room 903 New York, NY 10014 (212) 620-4120

Central Regional Center Consumer Product Safety Commission 230 South Dearborn Street, Room 2944 Chicago, IL 60604 (312) 353-8260

Western Regional Center

Consumer Product Safety Commission 1301 Clay Street, Suite 610-N Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 637-4050

HUD Lead Office

Please contact HUD's Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control for information on lead regulations, outreach efforts, and lead hazard control and research grant programs.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control 451 Seventh Street, SW, P-3206 Washington, DC 20410 (202) 755-1785

Simple Steps To Protect Your Family From Lead Hazards

If you think your home has high levels of lead:

- Get your young children tested for lead, even if they seem healthy.
- Wash children's hands, bottles, pacifiers, and toys often.
- Make sure children eat healthy, low-fat foods.
- Get your home checked for lead hazards.
- Regularly clean floors, window sills, and other surfaces.
- Wipe soil off shoes before entering house.
- Talk to your landlord about fixing surfaces with peeling or chipping paint.
- Take precautions to avoid exposure to lead dust when remodeling or renovating (call 1-800-424-LEAD for guidelines).
- Don't use a belt-sander, propane torch, heat gun, dry scraper, or dry sandpaper on painted surfaces that may contain lead.
- Don't try to remove lead-based paint yourself.